ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS DIVISION OF OFFENDER OPERATIONS CONTRACT BEDS BUREAU

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

March 13, 2018

TO:

Charles L. Ryan, Director

THROUGH: Carson McWilliams, Division Director

FROM:

Tara R. Diaz, Contract Beds Operations Directo

SUBJECT:

Red Rock Disturbance Administrative Review

As a result of an inmate disturbance at the Red Rock facility on February 25, 2018, an Administrative Review was conducted by Contract Beds leadership. This memorandum documents the review and findings.

Facility Summary

The Red Rock facility, operated by private contractor CoreCivic, is a 2,000 bed male, medium custody, General Population facility. The physical plant is divided in to two compounds of 1,000 beds each. The Red Rock facility is located in Eloy Arizona.

Incident Summary

On February 25, 2018 at approximately 0842 hours a disturbance occurred at the Red Rock facility operated by private contractor CoreCivic. During the breakfast meal / recreation turn out several groups of African American and Hispanic inmates began fighting on both compounds. Inmates were focused on fighting amongst themselves and did not target staff or property. Due to the physical plant structure of the yard and the quick action taken by CoreCivic staff, the inmates were quickly secured in the recreation enclosures, yard enclosures, housing units, and dining halls to minimize the number of inmates on the yard. The incident was quelled at approximately 1018 hours. Chief Ashford activated the Red Rock Tactical Support Unit in addition to contacting Arizona Department of Corrections administrators requesting Tactical Support and K9 from ASPC-Florence Complex. Note: Florence Tactical and K9 staff arrived, post incident, and were used to assist in searching and placing inmates in their housing locations.

Post Incident Review

 Responding Executive Staff - Assistant Wardens, Degard and Fizer responded to the facility to assist with unit management, talking to inmates and staff, and working toward a resolution. CoreCivic Wardens McDonald and Klein responded as Executive Staff support from other CoreCivic facilities within the area. Arizona Department of Corrections Contract Beds Division Administrative staff, Deputy Bureau Administrator, Deputy Warden, and Associate Deputy Warden responded to assist and ensure compliance with Departmental policy and procedure as well as contractual obligations. The Red Rock Warden, Mr. Stolc was out of country in Mexico, however upon notification called the ADC Regional Operations Director and immediately responded to the facility later on Sunday upon his return to the state.

- Two CoreCivic staff incurred minor injuries during the incident.
- Thirteen inmates sent to the hospital for treatment. All inmates have been returned to the facility. Note: Aide was rendered to staff and inmates in a timely manner.
- The CoreCivic contract requires 46 (forty six) correctional officers in addition to 1 (one) Captain, 1 (one) Lieutenant, and 2 (two) Sergeants for day shift operations. In addition to the required day shift staffing, the Red Rock facility had one additional sergeant posted in detention, Assistant Chief Snow was posted to the back of medical, and six officers posted to visitation bringing their total number of officers on site to 53 plus five supervisors. In review of the roster from February 25, 2018 it was noted that the unit staffing was compliant with contractual requirements. In addition, CoreCivic Administrative Duty Officer, Chief Ashford was on site per Department Order 703. Both Chief Ashford and Assistant Chief Snow responded to the yard and demonstrated invaluable leadership during the incident and were instrumental in quelling the disturbance.
- Red Rock maintenance staff conducted a property assessment and determined that there was minimal
 property damage which included a missing lock, a microwave from Fox Delta dayroom which had a dent
 (it is undetermined if the dent was caused during the disturbance or if the damage occurred sometime
 prior), and Juliet was missing one water spigot. The missing lock was subsequently found on the
 recreation yard.
- Arizona Department of Corrections provided three Criminal Investigations Unit [CIU] officers and two Security Threat Group [STG] officers to assist CoreCivic investigators with conducting interviews of staff and inmates present during the disturbance.
- CoreCivic staff initiated, and WebEOC and required NIMS protocols, as per ADC requirements, throughout the incident.
- Disturbance indicators were not present prior to this incident.
 - Store sales remained consistent with previous months.
 - o Property send outs remained consistent with previous months.
 - o Phone call monitoring prior to the incident did not indicate issues on the yard.
 - o Meal attendance remained consistent throughout the month.
 - o Visitation attendance was consistent with previous months.

- CoreCivic staff is in the process of completing annual refresher training as required by Arizona Department of Corrections staff development and training.
- CoreCivic staff is current with armed and unarmed guard card requirements as per contractual agreement.
- On the day after the disturbance CoreCivic Operations Director, Lane Blair arrived on site.
- Post disturbance, CoreCivic has continued to manage the incident as expected and required.
- ADC gathered the total cost for ADC response resources and notified CoreCivic in writing of the total reimbursement due to ADC as per contract. (see attached)

CIU Interviews

The ADC Criminal Investigations Unit continues to conduct an investigation into the cause of the disturbance. The below is a summary of information reported by CIU thus far:

CIU conducted interviews with all inmates assigned to Golf / Delta pod in the days following the disturbance. Several inmates were unwilling to participate in the interview process. Of the ones that did participate, the following information was repetitive:

- o Inmate had been 'horseplaying' with inmates of other races which had been observed by inmates to be antagonistic. It was stated that he had been talked to, by his peers, about his behavior on previous occasions and told that this was going to cause issues for him one day.
- o Inmate and inmate were observed to be having issues about a week prior to the incident that was mediated by other inmates and appeared to have been taken care of.
- Inmate had gone to medical Sunday morning (the morning of the disturbance), then met up with a group (undetermined how many) of other African American inmates. The inmates headed back toward Fox building / South chow hall when they got 'stuck' inside the gates at the 110 with a "Chicano, a Pisa, and a Caucasian", the inmates believe this is where the fight started (apparently for no other reason than these three inmates were enclosed in the area with them.
- One inmate claimed to have been in the pod and observed what happened Saturday night, the day prior to the disturbance. The inmate's claimed inmate was 'clowning on' inmate and punched him, dropping him to the floor and two other African American inmates then assisted back to his cell.
- o All inmates that cooperated with being interviewed stated that the issues are done.

Final Summary

In closing, CoreCivic's quick response to the incident minimized injuries to staff and inmates while maintaining Public Safety. CoreCivic acted in accordance with the Arizona Department of Corrections policies, procedures, tactical priorities and contractual obligations.

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via email: bruno.stolc@corecivic.com



February 27, 2018

Bruno Stolc Warden CoreCivic Red Rock Correctional Center 1750 E Arica Road Eloy AZ 85131

Re: ADC response to facility disturbance of February 25, 2018

Dear Mr. Stolc:

In accordance with Arizona Revised Statute § 41-1609.03, and Section 1.9.18 of Contract Number ADOC16-116492 / ADC No. 15-183-36, CoreCivic has responsibility for certain wage and vehicle expenses associated with an emergency response by ADC staff from the Arizona State Prison Complex-Florence. The itemized costs are in the amount of \$5,953.79 (see attached spreadsheet for expense detail.)

Per our discussion, it has been agreed that you will deduct this amount directly from your upcoming per diem invoice for the billing period of February 16 through 28, 2018. Please ensure this amount appears as a deduction in Line 3 of your invoice "face sheet."

Thank you for your prompt resolution of this matter.

Sincerely,

Tara R. Diaz

Contract Beds Operations Director

Attachment: Excel file of disturbance costs

C: Lane Blair, Managing Director (CoreCivic)
Ron Credio, Deputy Bureau Administrator, Contract Beds
Amy Barnes, Deputy Warden/Lead Monitor, Red Rock
Lynn Fedina, Offender Operations Business Administrator

ADC WAGE-RELATED COSTS	\$5,846.99
ADC VEHICLE-RELATED COSTS	\$106.80
ADC MEALS & INCIDENTAL COSTS	\$0.00
ADC SUPPLY COSTS	\$0.00
EXTERNAL AGENCY COSTS	\$0.00

GRAND TOTAL, DISTURBANCE COSTS	\$5,953.79
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